

Another help in house keeping is system. We should do the right thing at the right time. But we have a class of women who are so very systematic that when sweeping day comes they sweep and dust every room about the house whether they have been used or not, verily they have their reward. They are known as tidy house-keepers by their friends and that is all no brain work for themselves and no work for God and humanity. We read in God's word "your works shall be tried as by fire." Will such work stand the test? I fear not. We had better over-look a little dust in some of our unoccupied rooms and have greater care about the cobwebs of sin that entangle the feet of weak humanity. We should ever be willing to adopt the methods of others when they excel our own. It is folly to keep joggling along in the same old rut of our own conceit, when we may take a better route. If you do not know what Solomon says of such people turn to Prov. xxvi, 12.

There is much time and labor saved in the home where husband and children are orderly. We must begin with the children as soon as they are old enough to throw their toys about the floor. It is a wrong to the child to let him leave his things about. It is not enough nor is it right to compel a child to be orderly without teaching it the right and wrong about it. "Order is heaven's first law" and if we do not have it in the home we fail in making the home next to heaven in its joy.

Boys brought up in such a home make good husbands. If we can afford it is our christian duty to hire the poor to help us. This is right from two stand-points: first it is assisting the poor to obtain an honest living; second through their help we can have more time for church work. To show how much good we may do in this way, I will introduce to you two ladies of my acquaintance whom I shall call Mrs. A. and Mrs. B. They both have an abundance of this world's goods and both are professed Christians. Mrs. A. lives on a farm, has plenty of work of course as farmers' wives do; she is a model house-keeper and feels that she has too many cares for her strength; she must have help, so with a selfish greed for this world's goods in her heart, she resolves to hire a poor young girl for the paltry sum of seventy-five cents per week. The girl works hard as long as she can stand it and then goes to town to seek lighter work and better wages. She falls into bad company and is near ruin when rescued by friends. Here was a double wrong. The mistress by her greed deprives herself of needed, reliable help and sends the poor girl on a downward road; but Mrs. B. has the true Christ's spirit. She is zealous in every good work and in order to have more time for the Lord's work, she too must have help in

the home. She resolves to take a poor Irish girl just from Ireland. She paid one dollar and a half per week with a promise to pay more when she learned more of American customs. Mrs. B. treated Nora with christian consideration and patiently taught her and to-day she is a proficient helper in a happy home.

Oh, the good we all may do,
While the days are going by.
BARBARA CALVERT.

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GOOD, BUT WE WANT MORE.

One response to my call for money for Mission Board of Pa., of seven dollars from Summit Mills congregation through brother Knepper. This is good so far but we must have more. Listen while I tell you we owe \$57 to state evangelist for work previous to conference besides the service he has given us within the last few weeks. He should be paid promptly. It can be done if pastors will but call for it from the congregations. He has borrowed the amount due him and pays interest thereon. The time limit on the loan expires Jan. 17, '95. Can we not have a Christmas or New Years offering for this purpose in order to meet his wants at bank.—*Mark you it is a bank loan*—and we know what that means? I am sorry the editor made me say in former notice, "we should not wait six months for the last collection." I intended to say "don't wait a half year for first collection" as is usually done. I meant to say that first collection should be in early part of conference year and another (if only two) in early part of latter half and we would not go to conference with such poor reports financially.

I will make quarterly report on New Year and hope to hear something at least from all the churches. Who'll be the next to follow "Johnny" now.

R. Z. REPLOGLE.

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TRACTS OF FASHION.

On the cars I saw a lady reading a pamphlet filled with fashion plates; not an unusual thing for women to do, but this case attracted my attention. The lady had only two or three days before arrived from Germany, and was on her way to her brother's home in Dakota. It was quite natural for her to find out how the women of America dressed. Those who sell clothing make a business of making

known their business, and hundreds of thousands of dollars are spent in printer's ink to show people what to wear. How much more should men and women send out literature telling people where to buy the white robe of purity and how to wear the jewels of christian service. "I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich, and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed." Rev. iii, 18.

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The young lady and her brother referred to above bought tickets as they supposed clear through to their western home, but they were imperfect, and run out on the 22nd, this was on the 23rd, hence they had to repay their fare. This leads me to make some remarks on through tickets. See that you get the right kind of a ticket when you travel and one that will not run out; one that will take you clear through. A bit of my experience will enable me to illustrate.

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Leaving national conference for home, the conductor took my ticket and gave me a slip of card board with three holes in the end. I asked: why punch three holes in the card board? He said: the three holes were an evidence that I had a through ticket, seeing them as the slip projected from my hat band, he knew I was a through passenger.

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Trine immersion, Matt. xxviii, 19, is a through ticket, presenting it to any christian church as a passenger for heaven you are admitted, not so with other forms called baptism, sprinkling, which originated with the Roman Catholics of Africa, will take you into that church, and Protestant churches having adopted it. Single immersion which originated with an Arian heretic in the forth century will take you into churches that practice that form, but triune baptism is acknowledged valid baptism by Catholics and Protestants. It makes you a full disciple and a through passenger

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As a traveler you want a ticket that will carry you through to your destination, not one that will have to be renewed in each state, or cause you to pay fare to the conductor on each run, traveling to heaven you want that on which all can agree. There is but one such baptism, that: "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

JOHN DUKE MCFADEN.

God Himself is the best portion of any soul and the deeper our Christian experience, the less we think of God's blessings and the more we dwell upon Him.